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SUBJECT: (S) GERMAN RESPONSE - IRANIAN EFFORTS TO PROCURE
GERMAN ORIGIN SIGNAL GENERATOR

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Classified By: Global Affairs Unit Chief Don L. Brown for
reasons 1.4 (b) and (d).

11. (S) On May 13, MFA Export Control Division Desk Officer Wiebke Wacker provided Global Affairs Officer with a German-language nonpaper response to ref A. Ref A information includes the names of possible UAE intermediaries that Iran may be using to procure a German origin signal generator, model SMU200A, in support of their missile program. The nonpaper states that Rohde & Schwarz has had no contact with the Iranian Shahid Hemmat Industrial Group (SHIG) and that the ref A listed UAE intermediaries have made no inquiries or orders regarding the procurement of a model SMU200A signal generator. Wacker did not provide any additional information to the nonpaper other than to say the absence of procurement inquiries by the ref A listed UAE firms is "good news."

12. (S) Begin informal Embassy translation of German-language nonpaper:

With reference to the Non-Papers from October 23, 2007 and March 25, 2008 regarding the procurement of a signal generator model SMU200A by the firm Shahid Hemmat Industrial Group (SHIG) from the German firm Rohde & Schwarz via the UAE, we take this opportunity to bring the following information to the attention of the U.S. authorities:

-- We thank you for the information in connection with the SHIG's procurement attempts of a SMU200A signal generator.

-- As was reported on our Non Paper from September 10, 2007, the firm Rohde & Schwarz has not been in contact with the firm SHIG.

-- In reference to the U.S. Non Paper on March 25, 2008, the German export control authorities made Rohde and Schwarz aware that the UAE firms Sanaei International Partners, Hassan and Sanaei Trading Company LLC, and Akbar Mohd Qanat Besha may act as possible procurement intermediaries. The German firm Rohde & Schwarz indicated that these firms have not surfaced with inquiries and/or orders.

We look forward to continuing our excellent cooperation in the area of export controls.

End text of informal Embassy translation.
TIMKEN JR